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A day of remembrance

Local communities mark Memorial Day Monday with parades, services

Memorial Day (originally known as Decoration Day) is a federal holiday in the United States for mourning the U.S. military personnel who have died while serving in the United States armed forces. It is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formerly observed on May 30 from 1868 to 1970.

Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day to honor and mourn those who died while serving in the U.S. military. Many volunteers place an American flag on graves of military personnel in national cemeteries. Memorial Day is also considered the unofficial beginning of summer in the United States.

Many cities and people have claimed to have first celebrated the event. In 1868, General John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic called for a "Decoration Day", which was widely celebrated. By 1890, every Northern state had adopted it as a holiday. The World Wars turned it into a generalized day of remembrance, instead of just for the Civil War. In 1971, Congress standardized the holiday as "Memorial Day" and changed the observance to the last Monday in May.

Most government offices will be closed as will many banks and mail service will be suspended in honor of the day of remembrance. Each year on Memorial Day a national moment of remembrance takes place at 3 p.m. local time.

Many local communities plan celebrations and memorials to honor and remember those who have lost their lives in the service of the country.

IN CANTON TOWNSHIP:

The Canton Fire Department Honor Guard will host a Memorial Day service beginning at 10 a.m. Monday, May 30. The event will take place at the Veteran's Memorial Center located in Heritage Park (directly behind the Canton Administration Building), 1150 S. Canton Center Road, in Canton.

Representatives from the United States Marine Corps will be present for a ceremonial wreath posting at the 1st Battalion 24th Marine Division Memorial. A roll call will also take place for the "Fallen 22" Marines who were deployed for duty in 2006-07 to Iraq and made the ultimate sacrifice.

The Marine Corps honor guard will be unveiling the "Corporal Hoffman Bench" in honor of Corporal Josh Hoffman. Corporal Hoffman was wounded in Iraq while deployed with 1/24 Marines and recently succumbed to his injuries. The public is invited to attend the memorial service honoring the Marines and all service members.

IN INKSTER:

The annual Memorial Day Parade will begin at noon in the city this year and honor all veterans and armed service members. The parade will travel down Inkster Road from Cherry Hill to Michigan Avenue.

The parade starting point is the Food Max Parking Lot and the event will end at South River Park Drive.

For more information, contact Tim Williams (734) 748-0302 or Denise Johnson at (313) 498-2531

IN NORTHVILLE;

The City of Northville will mark the Memorial Day holiday with an event at Rural Hill Cemetery beginning at 11 a.m. May 30.

The event will honor veterans of all branches of the armed services. Mayor Brian Turnbull also urged residents to view the banners dedicated to veterans now installed throughout the area.

IN PLYMOUTH:

The traditional Memorial Day Veterans Procession will wind through multiple neighborhoods in the city. The parade will begin at 9 a.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St. in Plymouth.

Also in Plymouth this year, in honor of Memorial Day, reenactors of the 24th Michigan Volunteer Infantry Regiment will be on the lawn of the Plymouth Historical Museum from 1 until 4 p.m. Sunday, May 29. The reenactors will be in Civil War-era attire, and will pitch a tent or two and display contemporary soldiers' equipment. The Plymouth Historical Museum is also open to the public from 1 until 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 29 and is featuring a special exhibit, "Connecting at the Speed of Life," which continues through June 26.

The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main St., in downtown Plymouth. Admission to the museum is $7 for adults and $3 for children 6-17 years old. There is no charge to visit with the members of the 24th Michigan Volunteer Infantry Regiment on the museum lawn Sunday.

IN WAYNE AND WESTLAND:

The Westland-Wayne Veterans Memorial Day Parade will begin at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 29. The parade will travel from John Glenn High School to the William Faust Public Library of Westland this year.

Local clubs and groups are urged to join the parade to celebrate and remember the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice, along with veterans who have courageously served the country.

A brief tribute ceremony is planned at the Veterans Memorial Garden of Westland, hosted by VFW Post 9885 "Bova" at the end of the parade to pay homage to those fallen men and women who lives were sacrificed.

To participate or for more information visit: https://www.cityofwestland.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=97

The City of Wayne Memorial Day Ceremony is planned for 10 a.m. Monday, May 30 at 3355 South Wayne Road. The event is open to the public.

Canton - Plymouth

Neighboring residents protest proposed development

Neighbors of a proposed 31-home development in Canton Township are strongly opposed to the plan of Pulte Group to build on the western edge of the township.

Residents of Pilgrim Hills Estates have appeared to protest the builders' plans at both planning commission and board of trustees meetings, claiming that the construction would be a disturbance to the natural habitat where wildlife flourishes. They maintain that the parcel of land has historical significance.

Residents also note that the 31.5-acres of land includes large, mature trees including one which they say has been on the land since sometime in the 1840s.

The land is currently zoned as rural residential which allows for one home on every 5 acres of property. Pulte representatives have proposed a rezoning of the land south of Warren Road and east of Napier Road to R1 which allows for one home per each acre of property.

> *The land is currently zoned as rural residential*

Members of the township planning commission unanimously agreed with the neighboring residents and voted 6-0 to deny the rezoning during a meeting in March. Members of the board of trustees, however, voted to return the matter to the planning commission in April.

Township Supervisor Ann Marie Graham-Hudak said the issue was procedural and the remand to the planning commission had not complied with state law which requires a factual basis for the denial of the rezoning request. The Pulte construction plans met all 10 standards of the rezoning application, according to the township planning division.

A second hearing of the proposed rezoning is expected next month, officials said.

Lions Club pancake breakfast returns to Liberty Festival

Crowds are expected to flip at the Canton Lions Club Pancake Breakfast during the Canton Liberty Fest set for June 16, 17 and 18 this year. The event will return to Heritage Park after a 2-year hiatus due to the pandemic.

John Anthony, president of the Canton Lions Club Foundation, said this will be the 27th year the club has sponsored the breakfast which has become a tradition at the festival. As always, the breakfast is set for Saturday morning during the festival events.

Anthony said this year the breakfast would again include servers from Chris Cakes who take delight in "flipping" the pancakes from the griddle onto the waiting plates of patrons brave enough to try and catch the flying cakes from the air. He said the event has evolved over the years and "kids really like it."

The breakfast is a fundraiser for the group which is dedicated to helping visually or hearing-impaired children. Anthony said one of the main beneficiaries of the club is Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor. The Lions Foundation also helps fund the printing of books in Braille for children, among several other charities which fit the mission of the organization.

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"The breakfast is one of our main fundraisers" he said, "and last time, I think we generated about $3,000. Each year, with all our projects, I think we raise about $25,000 of which every nickel goes to charity."

Anthony, who has been active with the Lions for about 14 years, said he looks at his involvement as a "way to give back" to the community. He said he has been a Canton resident since 1973 after serving in the Marine Corps, attending law school and joining the FBI where he worked for 25 years. He also served for 12 years on the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

"The breakfast is fun and it raises money for a good cause," he said. In addition to the flying pancakes, some fun characters are expected to be on hand from 9:30 until 11 a.m. including Princess Leia and Darth Vader.

The Lions will serve pancakes from 8 until 11 a.m. on Saturday at the North pavilion.

Plymouth Kellogg Park concerts begin summer season tomorrow

The popular Music in the Air free weekly concert series is set to begin at 7 p.m. tomorrow, May 27, and continue through Sept. 3 at the Kellogg Park stage in downtown Plymouth, officials from the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) office said.

Motor City Josh

The ever-popular Friday night outdoor music series for 2022 features a wide variety of entertainment to suit every musical taste, added officials.

The concerts are sponsored by the DDA; the Bank of Ann Arbor; the Plymouth Noon Rotary Club and Hines Park Lincoln.

This year's line-up again features 14 bands beginning May 27 with Motor City Josh (Blues); June 3– Von Zippers (Classic Rock); June 10–Totally (80s); June 17–The Ones and Twos (Motown and Dance Music); June 24--Randy Brock Group (Blues Rock); July 1--Trilogy (Variety Band); July 8-no concert due to Art in the Park; July 15–Magic Bus (Woodstock Era); July 22–Power Play Detroit (Greatest Rock Hits); July 29--Lady Sunshine & the X Band (Detroit's' own - Emotion, Fire, Pride, and Soul); Aug. 5--Larry Lee and the Back in the Day Band (Funk, R&B, Motown); Aug. 12--Geff Phillips and Friends (Pop & Rock Variety 60s - today); Aug. 19 Moxie Blitz (80s - Today Pop); Aug. 26--Steve King and the Dittilies (Wayne Newton of Wayne County) and Sept. 2--Atomic Radio (Top 40, Pop Hip-Hop, Rock).

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, June 9, 2022 for the following:

LEGAL SERVICES

Proposals may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, June 9, 2022 for the following:

REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF PHEASANT RUN GOLF COURSE FENCE CORRAL

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Supervisor, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Supervisor, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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NORTHVILLE - SUMPTER

Northville Township reduces trash fees by 8%

At a time when costs are rising on nearly all goods, Northville Township residents will pay a bit less for trash collection.

During a special meeting May 12, the Northville Township Board of Trustees approved a 5-year contract with the current rubbish hauler that will provide residents with an 8-percent reduction in refuse collection fees and increase the frequency of recycling collection.

"With gas over $4 a gallon, prices at the grocery store on the rise, and interest rates increasing, we are excited to announce that we were able to save our residents 3 percent on their solid waste bill," said Northville Township Supervisor Mark J. Abbo. "Also, in year five of the new contract, our residents will still be paying less for trash collection than they are today. This is a big win for our residents."

In March, the Township Public Services Department advertised a bid for the residential solid waste collection, recycling and composting program. Three service providers responded, and GFL Environmental bid was the lowest of the three, dropping residents' fees from $14 per month to $12.90.

"GFL's bid was not only the lowest, but added recycling pick up from bi-weekly to weekly," added Treasurer Jason Rhines. "In addition to picking up recycling weekly, GFL will offer a recycling rewards program to encourage residents to recycle more waste."

Using the GFL Reward for Recycling program, a resident puts out the recycling to be collected, logs into an online account and clicks the "Report Recycling" button. As an active recycler, GFL will offer savings and prizes, including reusable grocery totes, backpacks, gift cards and more. Participants may receive $300-$400 in savings each year, GFL representatives said.

"Although we are currently in court with GFL regarding the landfill, GFL's weekly trash collection service to our residents has been unaffected," said Abbo. "A top priority of the township board continues to be resolving our concerns with the landfill. This contract does not affect our resolve. What this contract will do, however, is provide our residents with a reduction in cost as well as increased services."

Last month the board of trustees also announced a 3-percent reduction in water and sewer fees.

Reduced water and sewer rates, and the reduction in rubbish collection fees, will go into effect in July.

Public's help sought in probe of gunshots

Northville Township police are continuing to investigate two reports of gunshots fired in the community.

Investigators are again seeking public assistance to gather information regarding two separate reports of shots being fired, an unusual happening in the Northville community.

> *This is the second report of random gunfire reported to Northville police.*

In the latest incident, police say that at approximately 2:45 a.m. on Friday, May 20, residents of Park Place Apartments, located near Eight Mile and Silver Spring Drive reported hearing gunshots in the area of buildings 29 and 30. A preliminary investigation at the scene resulted in no suspects in the incident.

This is the second report of random gunfire reported to Northville police. Just after 10:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, authorities said shots were fired in the area of Hines Park near Six Mile and Sheldon roads in the township. No injuries were reported in either incident.

Investigators hope to obtain more information from area homeowners and residents' video footage from surveillance cameras and doorbells. Officials ask that anyone observing any unusual suspicious activity, such as noise from gunshots or cars fleeing the area, contact the Northville Township Police at (248) 349-9400.

Unused drug disposal available

Sumpter Township police have reminded area residents that there is a safe way to dispose of unused medication.

There is a large red receptable at the township police station which is available for disposal of unused or expired prescription medications. Medicine in any form, pills, capsules, EpiPens, inhalers and patches are all acceptable at the station, officials said. Employees at the records window will provide a Ziplock baggie to secure loose pills or containers of liquid medication before placing them in the receptacle.

The box, provided several years ago by the Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network, is available during normal records department business hours from 6 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Friday and is for personal use quantities of medication only. The receptable is available all year.

Murder suspect to offer insanity defense plea

Raymond Lee Bailey

The Wyandotte man accused of killing four people in Sumpter Township almost two years ago will enter a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity to the charges.

The attorney for Raymond Lee Bailey, 38, notified Circuit Court officials last week that his client would enter the insanity plea. Bailey was remanded to the Wayne County Jail following his arraignment in August of 2020 on four counts of first-degree murder and four counts of felony firearm violations. Each murder charge carries a maximum sentence of life in prison.

The charges are in connection to four homicides that occurred on Aug.15, 2020 in Sumpter Township. According to prosecutors, Sumpter Township police received a 911 emergency call at about 12:30 p.m. Aug. 5, and officers were dispatched to a home in the 24900 block of Martinsville Road. When the officers arrived on the scene, they discovered four deceased victims who had suffered obvious gunshot wounds. The victims were later identified as Laura Tanner and her sister, Sarah Grupa, both of Detroit, and their cousins, Forrest Sampson and Neal Sampson, both of Van Buren Township. The prosecutors allege that at the time of the shooting, Laura Tanner was having ongoing problems with the suspect, Bailey, who was her ex-fiancée.

Bailey was not at the scene of the shooting when police arrived prompting a search for him. Sumpter Township police received information the next day that Bailey had fled to Bay City. He turned himself in to Bay City authorities and was arrested and returned to Wayne County by Sumpter officers on Aug. 16. He was arraigned on all charges in 34th District Court on Aug. 19, 2020 and has remained in police custody.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – PUBLIC HEARING
June 15, 2022 – 7:00 PM

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) will hold a public hearing at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville MI. The ZBA will consider a variance request to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance as follows:

- 16404 Winchester Dr. - Article 18.1, Rear Yard Setback
- 46150 Frederick St. - Article 31.5, Fences

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments or ask questions. Plans are available for viewing at the Township between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Written comments will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168 no later than 12:00 PM on the day of the above meeting.

Paul Slatin, Chair
Zoning Board of Appeals

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SYNOPSIS
REGULAR MEETING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, May 19, 2022
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Abbo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
PRESENT: Mark Abbo, Supervisor; Roger Lundberg, Clerk; Jason Rhines, Treasurer; Scott Frush, Trustee; Mindy Herrmann, Trustee; Cynthia Jankowski, Trustee; Christopher Roosen, Trustee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
1. **Agendas:**
   - A. **Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items** – Approved
2. **Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:**
   - A. **Plante Moran Audit Presentation** – Presented
   - B. **Landfill Working Committee Report** – No report
3. **Public Hearing: None**
4. **Brief Public Comments: One member of the audience had questions or comments for the Board of Trustees.**
5. **New Business:**
   - A. **Cantoro PUD Amendment #1** – Approved
   - B. **Legacy Park Water Tower and Vault Modification Bid** – Approved
   - C. **BDN Industrial Hygiene Consultants Contract** – Approved
   - D. **Fleis & Vandenbrink Change Order – Legacy Park** – Approved
   - E. **McDowell and Associates Contract** – Approved
   - F. **2022 Water & Sewer Rates** – Approved
   - G. **Budget Amendment #2022-2** – Approved
   - H. **Vehicle Internal Transfer & Budget Amendment # 2022-3** – Approved
6. **Unfinished Business:** None
7. **Ordinances:** None
8. **Check Registry:**
   - A. **In the amount of $ 2,023,367.16 for the period of April 2, 2022 to May 6, 2022.** – Approved
9. **Board Communication & Reports:**
   - A. **Mark Abbo, Roger Lundberg, Jason Rhines, Scott Frush, Mindy Herrmann, Cynthia Jankowski, Christopher Roosen**
10. **Any other business for the Board of Trustees:** None
11. **ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

A draft of the meeting minutes will be available on June 1, 2022.
Respectfully submitted:
Mark Abbo, Supervisor
Roger Lundberg, Clerk

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Sumpter Township
23480 Sumpter Rd, Belleville, MI 48111
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
April 26, 2022
6:00 PM

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call: Bowman, Hurst, Warren, LaPorte, Oddy, Rush, Morgan
3. Approve Agenda
4. Public Comment
5. Minutes:
   - A. Approve Special Board Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2022
   - B. Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2022
   - C. Accept Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes of April 1, 2021.
6. Warrants:
   - A. Approve Warrants Totaling $81,361.62
7. Parks & Recreation/Chambers Report - Rush
8. Water & Sewer Report - Warren
9. Treasurer's Report - Warren
10. Planning & Zoning Report - Oddy
11. Seniors Report - Hurst
12. Board Response

* ~~13. Unfinished Business:~~
   - ~~A. Consider approval of Resolution # 2022-03 supporting the action taken by Conference of Western Wayne (CWW).~~

14. New Business:
   - A. Consider approval of Resolution # 2022-04 for the Police Millage language for Renewal/Increase of 1 mill effective 2022, levied for 4 years.
   - B. Consider approval of Resolution # 2022-05 for the Police Millage language for Renewal/Increase of 2mill effective 2022, levied for 4 years.
   - C. Consider approval to purchase sewer materials (grinder lids, tanks, electrical boxes and cables) from DuBois-Cooper total $27,784.
   - D. Consider approval of the Supervisor's choice of Trustee Rush to continue as my Deputy Supervisor until further notice. Compensation to remain the same as is being currently given.
   - E. Consider approval to advance the one-year contractual salary increase of DPW Director John Danci to April, 2022 based on his 6-month performance evaluation conducted by Supervisor Bowman and DS Trustee Rush and the Contract Amendment/Letter of Understanding.

** F. Consider approval of the contract with Diversified Construction.

** 15. Closed Session
Pursuant to MCL 15.243(i.)(e.) to consider attorney-client privileged material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal law; Attorney Opinion Letter / Non-Disclosure Agreement.

16. Announcements

17. Adjournment

Esther Hurst, Clerk

Posted: April 20, 2022 at 2:00 pm
Revised: April 26, 2022 at 3:00 pm

* Removed during the Regular Board Meeting
** Added during the Regular Board Meeting

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The Sumpter Township board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio-tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon 5 days' notice to the Sumpter Township board. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Sumpter Township board by writing or calling the following: Esther Hurst, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111

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Westland

City firefighters mark promotions, new hires

Warm applause greeted the announcements of promotions and staff additions during a ceremony earlier this month honoring the City of Westland Fire Department.

Promotions included that of Capt. Jeremy Wright who began his career with the Westland Fire Department in 2013 after spending nine years with the Lincoln Park Fire Department. To celebrate his promotion, wife Valarie Wright was on hand to attach the pin denoting his new rank for her husband.

Also promoted was Sgt. David Polite who has been with the Westland Fire Department since 2011. Previously serving as a Paramedic IC, Fire Instructor 1 and 2, Polite spent nine years with Farmington Hills and Livonia fire departments. With a degree in Fire Science from Schoolcraft College, his wife, Rebecca, pinned Polite during the ceremony.

The ceremony also formally welcomed new Firefighter Camden Ramirez who has joined the department. Enrolled at Dorsey College for paramedics, Ramirez has previous experience with the Lyon Township Fire Department. During the ceremony, Ramirez was pinned by his father, Eric Ramirez.

Also welcomed to Westland was Firefighter Arron Tokarski. He is the son of Westland Fire Department Battalion Chief Mitch Tokarski. The new firefighter attended the Schoolcraft College Fire Academy and studied EMT to Paramedic at Dorsey. His father proudly pinned his son's official identification during the ceremony.

Battalion Chief Bella, the Westland Fire Department arson dog, also received a special honor. Considered paramilitary, the Westland Fire Department ranks service dogs as NCOs, or non-commissioned officers, and are given a rank higher than their handler just as is done in the military K9. Bella, who became a part of the department in June 2017, has risen to the rank of Battalion Chief and is the first accelerant detection canine in Western Wayne County with the ability to detect and analyze odors at a level 40 times greater than her human counterparts. Capt. Jeff Stobbe honored Bella with her pinning during the ceremony.

City officials were on hand to congratulate recently promoted Westland Fire Department first responders and welcome new members to the force. Bella, the arson dog, also received a new rank during the ceremonies.

"We always look forward to promoting within our ranks while also bringing new members aboard to continue the tradition and pride in the fire services," said Fire Chief James Morris. "Our arson dog, Bella, also plays a major role in helping to keep the community safe."

City compost pick up now available

Curbside pickup of compost began last week in Westland.

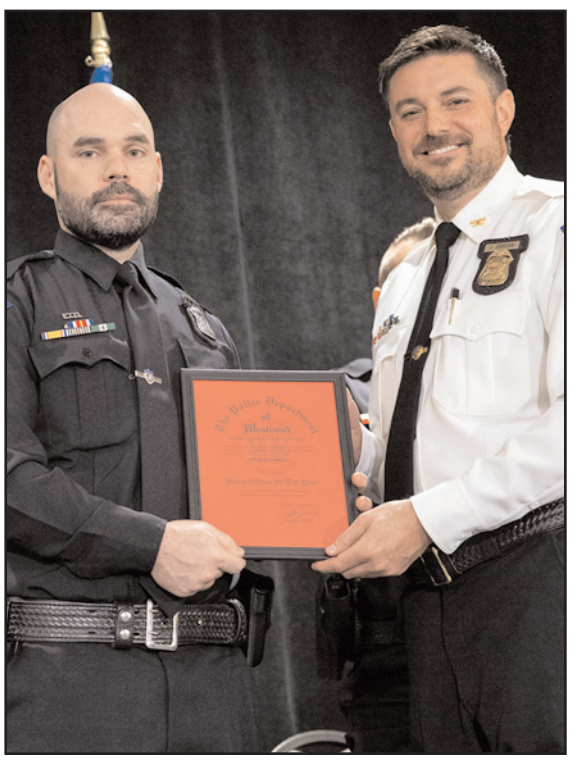
According to city officials, compostable items are picked up from residential curbs on the scheduled day for trash collection. Compostable items include: garden waste, grass clippings, hay/straw, leaves, pruning debris, tree branches, they noted.

These compostable materials are collected by a separate truck and these items should be separated from regular household trash by 4 feet. Mixed compost and trash will not be picked up.

Tree branches must be cut down to 4 feet or less and should be no larger than 3 inches in diameter. Branches should be put into small bundles and tied with rope or twine. Residents can place up to 10 bundles of branches each week.

Residents should use designated compost bags or garbage cans for compost disposal. The limit for compost collection is 10 compost bags or five garbage cans, with no bag or can weighing more than 50 pounds.

Compost in cardboard boxes or plastic garbage bags will not be picked up, officials cautioned.



Top cop

Westland Police Ofc. Erik Monson, far left, receives his award as Westland Officer of the Year from Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik during special award ceremonies last week. The event highlighted and recognized some of the many acts of heroism and excellent police work for the prior year and recognized the importance of the day-to-day public service duties and crime deterrent measures the department performs. Those daily activities, officials said, are crucial to the continued downward trends in crime in the Westland community. In addition to recognizing and rewarding the men and women of the police department, several awards were presented to citizens, including former City Councilman and current Police and Fire Civil Service Commission President Dewey Reeves; Pat Stropes of Families Against Narcotics and Civilian Award winner Delia Cryor. The department also said goodbye to retiring Lt. Steve Bird and Lt. Brian Humphrey and congratulated newly-promoted Lt. David Skeans.

Walk & Roll
Non-motorized transportation plan is adopted in Westland

Westland City Council members have adopted the first non-motorized transportation plan for the city.

The Walk & Roll Plan is a set of projects aimed at improving non-motorized connectivity, safety, and comfort for Westland residents, officials said. With a thorough planning process that brought together the community, stakeholders, and city staff, the plan is a continuation of efforts in improving non-motorized conditions including filling sidewalk gaps and work from the 2017 Master Plan, officials said.

Funded by a $40,000 grant from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments and contributions from the National Kidney Foundation, the Walk & Roll Plan will better connect the city, improve safety conditions, and encourage residents to bike and walk more often, according to a prepared statement from the city. Targeting Hines Drive, Lower Rouge Trail, parks, schools, jobs, recreation opportunities, and neighboring cities, the plan includes collaborations with staff including the Westland Police Department, Wayne County, Friends of the Rouge, City of Livonia, City of Garden City, Canton Township and the City of Wayne.

"The adoption of the Walk & Roll Plan, headed by our Planning Director Mohamed Ayoub, will create a new way for residents to enjoy the city without the use of their cars.

"This furthers our Mission:Green initiative and helps us to improve the city's efforts in a more sustainable environmental future," said Mayor William R. Wild.

NOTICE!!

WESTWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BUDGET HEARING

A Public Hearing on its proposed budget will be held by the Board of Education of the Westwood Community School District on:

Thursday, June 9, 2022
at 6:30 p.m.
In the
Equilla F. Bradford
Administrative Center
3335 S. Beech Daly Road
Dearborn Heights, Michigan 48125

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

Copies of the proposed budget will be available for review in the Westwood Administrative Office Center between the hours of8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on June 9, 2022.

Cheryl Bell-Everett, Secretary
Westwood Board of Education

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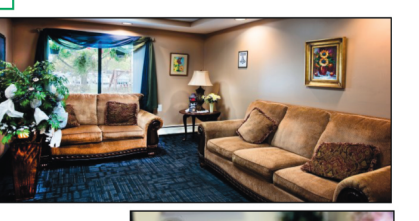

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ROMULUS

Community honors Bales as 'Citizen of the Year'

Surrounded by friends, family and local officials, Carole Bales was honored as the Romulus Citizen of the Year during a celebration last Friday hosted by the Romulus Chamber of Commerce.

Bales was awarded the honor in 2020 but because of the pandemic, the official celebration was delayed until last week when she was the guest of honor at the event.

Bales has been an active member of the Romulus community for more than 50 years, moving to the city in 1969. One factor in choosing the city was the school system, Bales said. She wanted to ensure that her children attended a strong school system where they could make life-long friends.

"I'm a firm believer that if you want the value of your property to increase, and you want to create a thriving community, you have to support your local schools and city," Bales said. She was an active member of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) during time her children were students in the Romulus system. She served as president of the PTA at Merriman Elementary School for five years and was also chairman of the Merriman School Fair and served as Den Mother and Board Member of Club Scout Pack 739.

> *"You don't do good things because you want a pat on the back..."*

Following her volunteer work with the schools, Bales put her business education studies from Western Michigan University to use and took a job in1979 with the school district. She worked in the Romulus school system as a secretary and administrative assistant for more than 30 years. During her career with the district, Bales served as chief steward to AFSCME Local 64 for 12 years and also served on numerous district-wide committees. During her tenure in the district Bales was awarded numerous tributes, including being named Romulus Schools Support Staff of the Year, Wick Elementary Schools Queen for the Day, Romulus Community Schools Apple Award, Women Worth Watching and others.

Bales dedication to the community continued with her volunteer work helping to organize blood drives and pancake breakfasts along with Rotary Club dinners and annual community events. Her continued efforts to help community causes prompted her neighbors to dub her the "basket lady" as she was known for providing gift baskets of items for auctions, raffles or families in need.

Bales was also involved with the Romulus Goodfellows and Julie's Tea Committee, the Pumpkin Festival, Friends of the Library, Literary Club, Chamber of Commerce, Light the Way Committee, Compensation Board, Board of Canvassers, Beautification Committee and Friends of Seniors. She is also an active member of Community United Methodist Church, having served as a Sunday School and Vacation Bible School teacher.

Bales became a familiar face at polling places in the city, working as a volunteer after helping to promote city millages including both the road millage and public safety millage-all of which have positively impacted the Romulus community, officials said.

Chamber of Commerce officers noted that while Bales has received a multitude of awards in the last 50 years, there aren't enough honors to fully thank her for her decades of service to the community.

"Carole is valued member of the community and the selfless attitude and commitment of residents like Carole are what makes Romulus a Home of Opportunity," was a phrase repeated several times during the ceremonies last week.

"You don't do good things because you want a pat on the back," Bales said. "You do them because you genuinely care about people, and I think we need more of that in the world."

Bales and her husband of 58 years, Dan, are the parents of Bob, Brian and Fumiko and Becky and John and have four grandchildren, Joshua, Katie, Sera and Luke.

Carole Bales

Now serving…

Romulus Chamber of Commerce Board President Jeff Lowrey, city officials including Mayor Robert McCraight and Councilmember Kathy Abdo were among the crowd of well-wishers who attended the grand opening of Norman's Café in the Romulus Athletic Center last week. Owners Leilani and Ashon Norman thanked the assembled crowd who attended the ribbon cutting at the new facility. The Normans also own and operate Norman Catering and Events in the city and are familiar faces at community events. "We started Norman Catering because we wanted to invest in our city," said Ashon Norman. "We love being a part of something bigger in Romulus and reaching new heights because of the support we get from our neighbors." Photos by David Willett

CITY OF ROMULUS
PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
June 9, 2022 at 6:00 PM

The Veteran's Monument Committee will hold a public meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Romulus City Hall in the Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 the purpose of this meeting is to discuss the restoration of the Veteran's Memorial Monument.
The public is invited to attend this meeting to express their comments or ask questions. Persons with disabilities who need accommodations to participate in the meeting effectively should contact or send an email to the Mayor's Office at 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, (734) 942-7571, mayor@romulusgov.com no later than 12:00 PM on the day of the above meeting.
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus
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Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt a Brownfield Plan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF ROMULUS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF A BROWNFIELD PLAN FOR THE CITY OF ROMULUS PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACT 381 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN OF 1996, AS AMENDED.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a Public Hearing shall be held before the City Council of the City of Romulus on the 13th day of June, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan, on the adoption of a Brownfield Plan for the City of Romulus. The Brownfield Redevelopment Authority shall exercise its powers pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended (Act 381).

The description of the proposed brownfield property is:

Land situated in the City of Romulus, Wayne County, State of Michigan, described as follows:

The eligible property consists of four (4) parcels, bounded to the north by Ecorse Road; to the east by Shook Road; to the south by Wick Road; and to the west by Cogswell Street in the City of Romulus, Michigan. The eligible property addresses and parcel identification numbers are:

36775 ECORSE ROAD (PARCEL ID: 80030990004000)
36411 ECORSE ROAD (PARCEL ID: 80030990007000)
ECORSE ROAD (PARCEL ID: 80030990006700)
ECORSE/WICK (PARCEL ID: 8002899001270336411)

The proposed brownfield plan would allow [the developer, BRA, or other party] to be reimbursed for eligible costs incurred to prepare the brownfield property for redevelopment. Eligible costs may include costs authorized by Act 381, including environmental, demolition, and hazardous materials costs. The brownfield plan must first be approved by the City Council.

This description of the property along with any maps and a description of the Brownfield Plan are available for public inspection at the City of Romulus Clerks Office.

All aspects of the Brownfield Plan are open for discussion at the public hearing. The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments or ask questions. Written comments will be received by the Romulus City Clerk at 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 no later than 12:00 PM on the day of the above meeting.

Ellen Craig-Bragg, City Clerk

City of Romulus

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CITY OF ROMULUS INVITATION TO BID

ITB 21/22-17 12 Month Pricing for Ford FS (or Equivalent) Fabricated Lug All Stainless Steel Clamps for DCC Cooperative

The City of Romulus along with the collective members of the Downriver Community Conference (20 communities including but not limited to: Wyandotte, Woodhaven, Trenton, Taylor, Southgate, Romulus, Rockwood, Riverview, River Rouge, Melvindale, Lincoln Park, Huron Township, Grosse Ile Township, Gibraltar, Flat Rock, Ecorse, Dearborn Heights, Brownstown Township and Allen Park) are seeking sealed bids for 12 month contract pricing for the purchase Ford FS style (or approved equivalent), fabricated lug all stainless steel repair clamps.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a bid must use the forms provided by the City. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct at http://www.mitn.info/. Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. Copies of documents obtained from any other source are not considered official copies.

(2) Clarifications, modifications, or amendments may be made to this solicitation at the discretion of the City. Any and all addenda issued by the City will be posted on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct. All interested parties are instructed to view the MITN website regularly for any issued addenda. It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all issued addenda and acknowledge receipt of said addenda by including a printed copy of each addendum as part of the required documents for this solicitation and to list the addendum and sign and date the "Acknowledgment of Receipt Addenda Form supplied in the bid documents.

(3) A total of two copies (one marked "Original" and one marked "Copy") of the bid must be submitted together in one sealed package/envelope and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:00 P.M., Thursday, 6/16/2022. Bids should be addressed using the Bid package label provided in the solicitation documents or submitted electronically on the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct.

(4) At approximately 3:00 p.m., local time 6/16/2022, all timely received bids will be publically opened and read.

(5) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any minor informality or irregularity in bids received and to award the bid in whole or in part. Ultimately, a contract may be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest.

(6) All timely received bids will first be reviewed at the regular meeting of the Downriver Consortium to be held at the group's July meeting, in room 105 of the Downriver Community Conference, 15100 Northline Rd., Southgate, MI 48195. The recommendation of the Consortium will then need to be approved, at a regularly scheduled meeting, by a majority vote of the Council of the City of Romulus.

(7) The successful Bidder will be required to submit proof of all insurance required by the ITB documents and copies of all required endorsements.

(8) For additional information contact Gary Harris, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing Purchasing@romulusgov.com

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Inkster - Wayne

Spring cleaning

Members of the newly established City of Wayne Parks and Trails Committee along with several volunteers joined the effort to clean and maintain Attwood Park in the city last week. Volunteers raked, pruned overgrown trees and hauled away bags of debris from the park. The first effort of the group was deemed a success by the group of volunteers dedicated to keeping city parks, trails, and greenspaces clean and free of litter. A second clean-up effort will be scheduled by the group soon, officials said, and volunteers are always welcome.

Police find drugs, victim in traffic stop

A routine traffic stop in Inkster by Michigan State Police resulted in multiple charges including suspected sex trafficking.

According to police reports, troopers witnessed the driver of a white Toyota disregard a stop sign at the Norfolk Street and Princess Avenue intersection near John Daly Street in Inkster the evening of Saturday, May 21.

When officers approached the vehicle, they observed three individuals in the car, two adult males and a juvenile female. Officers witnessed the passenger in the rear seat of the vehicle with an open bottle of beer. A subsequent search revealed a container of suspected cocaine, according to police reports.

The preliminary investigation indicated that the juvenile female was a victim of sex trafficking, according to police. She was transported to the Michigan State Police Flint Post where she was then reunited with her family.

The investigation into the incident is ongoing, police said.

Unlicensed gun leads to teen arrest

A 19-year-old Canton Township man was arrested last week for riding in a vehicle with an uncased rifle on his lap, according to reports from the Michigan State Police.

The incident took place at about 9 p.m. May 19 when state troopers were patrolling in Inkster. The troopers observed a Cadillac XTS exceeding the speed limit in the area of Carlysle and Middlebelt Road, and executed a traffic stop, according to police reports of the incident.

During their interaction with the occupants of the vehicle, officers observed a short-barrel Smith & Wesson M&P 15 rifle clearly visible in the lap of the passenger in the rear seat.

Subsequent questioning and investigation revealed the man did not have a license to carry a weapon.

The individual was taken into police custody. Troopers did not release any further information regarding the incident.

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